IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re PATENT APPLICATION

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FOR: RECOMBINANT PROTEINS OF FILAMENTOUS HAEMAGGLUTININ OF BORDETELLA, PARTICULARLY BORDETELLA PERTUSSIS, METHOD FOR PRODUCING SAME, AND USES THEREOF FOR PRODUCING FOREIGN PROTEINS OR VACCINATING ACTIVE PRINCIPLES

January 26, 2001

## AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 116

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 26, 2000, in the above matter, the period for response having been extended up to January 26, 2001, by submission of the required petition and fee herewith.

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 16 and 17 without prejudice and add the new claims 40 and 41 in lieu thereof.